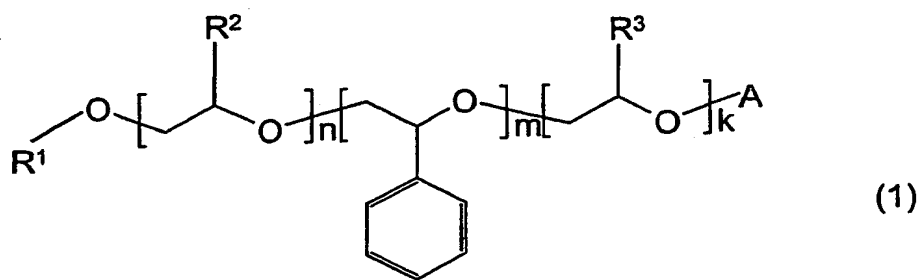


This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

1.(Currently Amended) A copolymer of the formula (1)



in which

$R^1$  is hydrogen, a  $C_1$ - $C_5$ -alkyl radical, or  $C_2$ - $C_5$ -alkenyl radical which may also contain hetero atoms, an acid group or an aliphatic or aromatic group having 1 to 50 carbon atoms, which carries including an acid group,

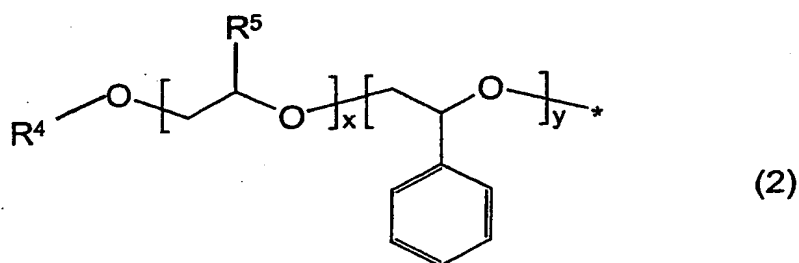
$R^2$  and  $R^3$ , independently of one another, are hydrogen, methyl and/or ethyl,

$n$  is a number from 0 to 100, and

$m$  is a number from 3 to 30, and

$k$  is a number from 1 to 200, and

$A$  is a copolymer unit of the formula (2)



in which

$R^4$  is hydrogen, a  $C_1$ - $C_5$ -alkyl radical or  $C_2$ - $C_5$ -alkenyl radical which may also contain hetero atoms, an acid group or an aliphatic or aromatic group having 1 to 50 carbon atoms, ~~which carries~~ including an acid group,

$R^5$  is hydrogen, methyl and/or ethyl,

x is a number from 0 to 100, and

y is a number from 3 to 30,

where  $R^1$  is hydrogen or an acid group.

2.(Original) The copolymer as claimed in claim 1, wherein the alkoxy groups are arranged block by block.

3.(Currently Amended) The copolymer as claimed in claim 1 ~~[[and/or 2]]~~, wherein k is a number from 10 to 100.

4.(Currently Amended) The copolymer of claim 1 ~~as claimed in one or more of claims 1 to 3~~, wherein m is a number from 3 to 10.

5.(Currently Amended) The copolymer of claim 1 ~~as claimed in one or more of claims 1 to 4~~, wherein n is a number from 1 to 5.

6.(Currently Amended)     ~~The copolymer of claim 1 as claimed in one or more of~~  
~~claims 1 to 5~~, wherein formula 1 represents an ester or partial ester.

7.(Currently Amended)     ~~The copolymer of claim 1 as claimed in one or more of~~  
~~claims 1 to 6~~, wherein R<sup>1</sup> or R<sup>4</sup> is a C<sub>2</sub>- to C<sub>5</sub>-alkenyl group.

8.(Currently Amended)     ~~The use of a copolymer as claimed in one or more of~~  
~~claims 1 to 7 as~~ A method for emulsifying a pigment emulsifier and or a  
bitumen, said method comprising admixing the pigment or bitumen with the  
copolymer of claim 1 emulsifier.

9.(Currently Amended)     ~~The use of a copolymer as claimed in claim 7 as an~~  
~~emulsifier in~~ A method for emulsion polymerization, said method comprising  
adding the copolymer of claim 1 to a polymer reaction mixture and  
polymerizing said mixture.